

The following summarizes the information collection proposal to be submitted to OMB: Type of Request: A new Internet Based Information Collection system that permits U.S. citizens who travel or reside abroad to register their destination and emergency contacts with the Department of State. This facilitates the provision of emergency assistance to U.S. citizens during crisis or disaster.

Originating Office: Bureau of Consular Affairs, Overseas Citizens Services CA/OCS.

Title of Information Collection: American Citizens Services Internet Based Registration Service (IBRS).

Frequency: Daily.

Form Number: DS-4024.

Respondents: American citizens traveling and residing overseas.

Estimated Number of Respondents: (estimate) 3.2 million.

Average Hours Per Response: (10 minutes).

Total Estimated Burden: 800,000.

Public comments are being solicited to permit the agency to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency.
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.
- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of technology.

For Additional Information: Public comments, requests for additional information, regarding the collection listed in this notice should be directed to Mike Meszaros, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Overseas Citizens Services, Office of Policy Review and Interagency Liaison, 1800 G Street NW., Washington, DC 20520-4811 who may be reached on 202-312-9750.

Dated: January 27, 2003.

Maura Harty,

Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 4271]

Advisory Committee for the Study of Eastern Europe and the Independent States of the Former Soviet Union Notice of Meeting

The Department of State announces that the Advisory Committee for the Study of Eastern Europe and the Independent States of the Former Soviet Union (Title VIII) will convene on Monday, April 28, 2003, beginning at 10 a.m. in Room 1408, U.S. Department of State, Harry S Truman Building, 2201 C Street, NW., Washington, DC.

The Advisory Committee will recommend grant recipients for the FY 2003 competition of the Program for the Study of Eastern Europe and the Independent States of the Former Soviet Union in connection with the "Research and Training for Eastern Europe and the Independent States of the Former Soviet Union Act of 1983, as amended." The agenda will include opening statements by the Chairman and members of the committee, and, within the committee, discussion, approval, and recommendation that the Department of State negotiate grant agreements with certain "national organizations with an interest and expertise in conducting research and training concerning the countries of Eastern Europe and the independent states of the former Soviet Union," based on the guidelines contained in the call for applications published in the **Federal Register** on November 19, 2002. Following committee deliberation, interested members of the public may make oral statements concerning the Title VIII program in general.

This meeting will be open to the public; however, attendance will be limited to the seating available. Entry into the Harry S Truman building is controlled and must be arranged in advance of the meeting. Those planning to attend should notify Susan Nelson, INR/RES, U.S. Department of State, (202) 736-4610 by Wednesday, April 23, 2003, providing their date of birth, Social Security Number, and any requirements for special needs. All attendees must use the 2201 C Street, NW., entrance to the building. Visitors who arrive without prior notification and without photo identification will not be admitted.

Dated: March 7, 2003.

Kenneth E. Roberts,

Executive Director, Advisory Committee for Study of Eastern Europe and the Independent States of the Former Soviet Union, Department of State.

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TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

Sunshine Act Notice; Meeting No. 1544

TIME AND DATE: 9 a.m. (EST), March 19, 2003, TVA Chattanooga Office Complex Auditorium, 1101 Market Street, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

STATUS: Open.

Agenda

Approval of minutes of meeting held on January 14, 2003.

New Business

B—Purchase Awards

B1. Contract with Edwards Supply Co., Inc., for custodial supplies and equipment.

B2. Supplement to Contract No. 2232 with SSC Service Solutions for custodial services at various TVA locations.

B3. Contracts with Milan Express and Overnite Transportation for purchase of less-than-truckload transportation services for TVA operations.

C—Energy

C1. Contract with VA Tech Elin Transformatoren GMBH & Co for extra-high voltage transformers.

C2. Contract with Roberts & Schaefer Company/AZCO, Inc., for coal-handling system equipment and engineering services for any TVA fossil plant.

C3. Contract with Twentymile Coal Company for bituminous coal for Widows Creek Fossil Plant Units 1-6.

C4. Contract with Mitsui Babcock LLC to design, manufacture, deliver, and install NO_xStar equipment for Colbert Fossil Plant Unit 4.

C5. Contract with Industrial Control Distributors, LLC, for valves and gauges and their related parts.

E—Real Property Transactions

E1. Grant of a 30-year public recreation easement, with conditional option for renewals, to the city of Soddy-Daisy, Tennessee, affecting approximately 23.3 acres of land on Chickamauga Reservoir in Hamilton County, Tennessee, Tract No. XTCR-163RE.

E2. Grant of permanent and temporary construction easements to the State of North Carolina for a highway and bridge project, affecting approximately 1.6

acres of land on Hiwassee Reservoir in Cherokee County, North Carolina, Tract No. XTFBR-31H.

E3. Deed modification to allow placement of fill and construction of residences for Sunset Bay Development planned by Tennessee Emmons, LLC, affecting approximately 14 acres of former TVA land on Norris Reservoir in Union County, Tennessee, Tract Nos. XNR-721, S.2X, and XNR-255, S.2X.

E4. Sale of noncommercial, nonexclusive permanent easements to William K. Kerr and Adam A. McCall for construction, operation, and maintenance of private water-use facilities, affecting approximately 0.12 acre of land on Tellico Reservoir in Loudon and Monroe Counties, Tennessee, Tract Nos. XTELR-237RE and XTELR-238RE.

E5. Abandonment of certain easement rights affecting approximately 0.2 acre of land on Fort Loudoun Reservoir in Knox County, Tennessee, Tract No. FL-198F, S.1X, to allow placement of fill and construction of a residence by Patrick Schaad.

Information Items

1. Approval of the abandonment of a portion of the easements for TVA's Trinity-Finley No. 1 and No. 2 161-kV transmission line, affecting approximately 11.57 acres of land in exchange for transmission line easement rights affecting approximately 39.14 acres in Morgan County, Alabama, and satisfaction of certain contingencies.

2. Approval of a contract supplement for continued Electric Power Research Institute membership.

3. Approval of the sale of a permanent easement to Knoxville Tourism and Sports Corporation affecting approximately 0.13 acre of land in Knoxville, Tennessee, Tract No. XKOC-2E.

4. Approval to enter into lease financing arrangements for combustion turbine generating facilities at the Lagoon Creek Combustion Turbine Plant and the Kemper County, Mississippi, site.

5. Approval of the accounting treatment for the minimum unfunded pension liability for fiscal year 2002, the adoption of SFAS No. 143, and the change in methodology for estimating and recording unbilled revenue.

6. Certification and approval of the Tennessee Valley Authority Fiscal Year 2002 Information Statement and Analysis of Results of Operations and Financial Condition contained in the Fiscal Year 2002 Annual Report.

7. Approval of the Corporate Accountability and Disclosure Plan, creation of and delegation of authority

to a Disclosure Control Committee, and the Disclosure and Financial Ethics Code.

8. Approval of the sale of an option to enter into an interest rate swap associated with a call provision which TVA has on \$1 billion of TVA Power Bonds and for delegations to take related actions.

9. Approval of the sale of a permanent easement to RiverCity Company affecting approximately 1.95 acres of land in Chattanooga, Tennessee, Tract No. XHBOB-1E.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Please call TVA Media Relations at (865) 632-6000, Knoxville, Tennessee. Information is also available at TVA's Washington Office (202) 898-2999. People who plan to attend the meeting and have special needs should call (865) 632-6000.

Anyone who wishes to comment on any of the agenda in writing may send their comments to: TVA Board of Directors, Board Agenda Comments, 400 West Summit Hill Drive, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

Dated: March 12, 2003.

Clifford L. Beach, Jr.,

Attorney and Assistant Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Advisory Circular (AC) 20-73A "Aircraft Ice Protection"

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of availability and request for public comment.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of and requests comments on a draft Advisory Circular (AC) 20-73A, Aircraft Ice Protection. The draft AC provides general information related to the approval of aircraft ice protection provisions in accordance with Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) parts 23, 25, 29, and 33. This draft AC also provides guidance and general information relative to operation of aircraft in icing environments that may affect the aircraft's airworthiness.

DATES: Submit comments on or before May 10, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Send all comments on the proposed draft AC to: Federal Aviation Administration, Aircraft Certification Service, Room 815, AIR-130, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591. You may deliver comments to: Federal Aviation

Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Room 815, Washington, DC 20591.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. George T. Soteropoulos, Federal Aviation Administration, Aircraft Certification Service, Room 815, AIR-120, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591, Telephone: (202) 267-97960, FAX: (202) 267-5340.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

You are invited to comment on the draft AC listed in this notice by submitting written data, views, or arguments, to the address listed above. Your comments should identify "Comments to AC 20-73A." You can examine all comments on the draft AC before and after the closing date, at the Federal Aviation Administration, Room 815, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591, weekdays except Federal Holidays between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. The Director of the Aircraft Certification Service considers all communications received on or before the closing date before issuing the final AC.

Background

Since its release on April 21, 1971, AC 20-73 continues to be followed as a means of compliance for inflight icing regulations. The objective of this revision is to provide a uniform and modern means of compliance with regulations for aircraft and engine ice protection requirements. This revision of AC 20-73 is extensive. It addresses common ice protection means of compliance for airplanes, rotorcrafts, and engines, with references to other applicable advisory circulars that address specific types of aircraft, engines, or regulations. An effort has been made in this revision to make the information congruent with compliance means provided in other existing guidance material and policies. Note however that there are instances where current technology is considered sufficient to justify changes, and means of compliance not previously addressed in guidance and policy material are discussed in this proposed document.

How To Obtain Copies

You may get a copy of the draft AC from the Internet at: <http://www.airweb.faa.gov/rgl>. You may also request a copy from Mr. George T. Soteropoulos.

See the section entitled **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** for the complete address.